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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The Restriction and Election of Species requirements of the Office Action mailed April 20, 2005 have been carefully reviewed and considered.

In the restriction requirement, the Examiner identified 2 (two) inventions, with the first invention Group I (Claims 1-19), drawn to an antenna structure, classified in class 343, subclass 770, and the second invention Group II (Claims 20-64), drawn to a demulsification arrangement using an RF applicator to remove a microwave absorptive material from a substrate, classified in class 422, subclass 186. The Examiner then required Applicant to elect between the above-identified 2 (two) Groups.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a))

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Applicant hereby provisionally elects to pursue patent protection for Group II (Claims 20-64), which relates to demulsification arrangements using an RF applicator to remove a microwave absorptive material from a substrate. However, this election is made with traverse, whereby Applicant reserves the right to contest the grounds for the election requirements as set forth by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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